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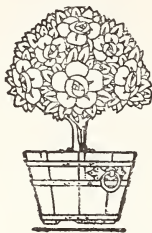
We guarantee all our seeds to be of strong vitality and of satisfactory germination. To insure this, our seeds are carefully tested.

We guarantee all our seeds to be of the best quality it is possible to produce. Our wide knowledge of the seed business throughout the world enables us to do this.

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If for any reason there is thought to be cause for complaint, after all reasonable care has been taken, if it is considered that any packet of seed has proved faulty, we will willingly replace such seed or refund the price paid.

This is a full and generous warranty, which perfect confidence in our seeds enables us to give.



Gardens beautiful and bountiful are now within the reach of all. To make the enjoyment of a garden possible to all, and to enable those who have always had gardens to have bigger, better gardens, we have made the low price of five cents a packet for all of our seeds. In so doing, nothing has been sacrificed in quality or quantity. No better seeds are to be had regardless of the price paid. This we guarantee.

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We are always glad to hear of the success had with our seeds.

Yours for better gardens,

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## FLOWER SEED

In what other manner can so much enjoyment, so much satisfaction and beauty be obtained and at so small cost, as from a flower garden?

The small seedlings are interesting from the time they break through the ground until full maturity, in wonderful, colorful display, in fulfillment of the prophecy, "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

Every home may be made more attractive, beautiful and homelike, and more valuable also, by the artistic use of flowering plants. Flowers are easily produced from seeds. The following is a list of the best seeds and those most likely to give complete satisfaction.

### AGERATUM

A delicate, feathery blue flower, valuable for edging or massing. Excellent for beds around the foundation of a house or for planting in beds of evergreens, gladioli, etc., to add color and fill blank spaces. Have additional plants in the vegetable garden, for cut flowers.

Produces solid, vividly purple borders or beds. Both color and odor are delightful, supplying an abundance of cut flowers. Grows about 1 to 1½ ft. high. In masses, an unusually attractive appearance. Be sure to include a few packets in your order. Just the thing for spots needing a bit of color. *Ageratum*, Blue Perfection.....Pkt. 5 cts.

### SWEET ALYSSUM

An old favorite for borders, growing about 5 inches high. Its mass of sweet scented white flowers almost entirely hide the foliage, blooming continually until frost. A striking combination is a bed of *Ageratum* bordered with Sweet Alyssum which will bloom in seven weeks. Have an additional packet for planting in September, in pots, for winter blooming.

**SWEET ALYSSUM.** Little Gem, the most satisfactory, will grow anywhere .....Pkt. 5 cts.

### AMARANTHUS CAUDATUS

(Love Lies Bleeding)

Brilliant foliage, grows 3 to 5 ft. high. The best variety is the old fashioned Love-lies-bleeding, with its long drooping crimson flowers. As a center for a flower bed or background to hide an unpleasant view, *Amaranthus*, on account of its rapid growth and unusual foliage is very effective. You'll enjoy the flowers as well as the effect in your garden, of this charming annual.

*Amaranthus caudatus*, Love Lies Bleeding.....Pkt. 5 cts.

### ANTIRRHINUM

(Snapdragon)

For gorgeous colored flowers and brilliant contrasts, few plants can match the always pleasing Snapdragon, which grows 2 to 3 feet high.

Blooming from early July until frost, supplying exquisite flowers of indescribable color combinations for the table. Folks who believe their experience prevents their having delightful flowers, should try Snapdragons. Nature can give no finer reward than the abundance of these beautiful flowers, easily grown in a small bed.

*Antirrhinum*, Snapdragon mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.



## ARCTOTIS

(African Lilac Daisy)

From fabled Africa comes this daisy with its pearl white flowers, shaded with delicate lilac blue underneath, with a central light blue disc, surrounded with white stamens and a narrow golden band. Vigorous growing bushes, 2 to 3 ft. high. Cut flowers last for ten days or more. The plants bloom until frost. Plant in a sunny location where the flowers, borne on long stems well above the foliage, will literally cover the plants like down. A striking flower for individual plants or tall growing borders.

Arctotis, African Lilac Daisy.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## ASTER

What flower can equal the splendor and individuality of the stately Aster? For color variety and floral perfection it is beyond description. We have selected the finest separate colors to insure even, well balanced mixtures. The following types, each differing from the other, will be a revelation.

### EARLY

Queen of the Market.....about 18 inches high  
California Giants ..... “ 2½ feet high  
Paeony Flowered Perfection..... “ 2½ feet high

### MID-SEASON

Dwarf Chrysanthemum Flowering...about 18 inches high  
Mikado ..... “ 2 feet high  
Ostrich Plume ..... “ 2½ feet high

### LATE

Betteridge's Quilled .....about 2 feet high  
King (Needle Type)..... “ 2 “ “  
Vick's Branching ..... “ 2½ “ “

### ALL THESE ARE DOUBLE FLOWERING

Try our strain of Aster seed and you will never be without them.

Any of the above varieties.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## BALSAM

(Lady Slippers)

India has given us this beautiful plant, with its flowers varying from purest white to the deepest blood-red. Lady Slippers is the common name. Seeds germinate quickly, giving robust plants about 2 feet high, with flowers set close to the stems, in great profusion. A combination of green foliage and flowers makes an exceptionally attractive garden plant. The seed pods are a novelty, when fully ripened, popping open with a slight pressure. An attractive flower for bordering and hedging along drives or walks. For mass beds, they make a very fine showing, particularly when planted in mixed varieties. They bloom until frost. Our mixture is made up of the best colors.

Balsam, finest mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## BALLOON VINE

The peculiarly marked seeds are sufficiently interesting to arouse anyone's curiosity. Although a climbing plant, it may be used among rocks or wherever there is anything to be covered. The flowers always excite admiration, as they actually look like small painted balloons.

Balloon Vine .....Pkt. 5 cts.



**CALENDULA****(Pot Marigold)**

This is the yellow and orange flower which has recently become so popular among florists. You have, no doubt, admired it in the flower shops. Plants reach a height of 18 inches and bear large, many-petaled flowers of intense color on long stems. When cut the flowers are of great adaptability and beauty. Until frost, these low-growing plants will supply color to the garden by their never ending bloom.

Sow a few seeds in different locations in the garden, giving high spots of color, or plant in solid beds with a contrasting color for an edging plant.

**Calendula, mixed .....Pkt. 5 cts.**

**CALLIOPSIS**

Blooms until frost. Plants about 1½ to 2 feet high and about 1½ feet wide. Branches freely, with long flower stems, and lovely clusters of small daisy-like flowers of crimson, orange and gold. Planted in a mass, in a sunny location, this brilliant annual will make an exquisite showing and give a multitude of variously colored and dainty cut flowers.

Calliopsis should be planted more extensively, as it never fails to please the most fastidious flower lover.

**Calliopsis, best mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.**

**CANDYTUFT**

Grandmother's garden had Candytuft, and your garden to be complete should have this pretty, low growing flower. Grows about 8 inches high, with long tufts of white flowers having most delightful fragrance. Sow where it is to grow, and be sure to have an extra packet for those empty corners usually overlooked.

Try a border of Calliopsis edged with Candytuft.

**Candytuft, splendid mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.**

**CELOSIA****(Cockscomb and Ostrich Feather)**

These two popular varieties of Cockscomb differ radically. You should have both, for both are desirable for cut flowers.

Cockscomb grows about 1 foot high and forms a compact color mass, flowers resembling a rooster's comb. Can be dried for winter flowers.

Ostrich Feather is just the opposite. Growing from 2 to 3 feet high, it gives a loose, airy impression and the swaying gracefulness of its large brilliant plume flowers is a treat to the eye. Our mixture contains all the Ostrich Feather colors. Try a few new items, each year, in the garden.

Celosia will give much pleasure and satisfaction.

**Celosia Cristata, Cockscomb mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.**

**Celosia Plumosa, Ostrich Feather.....Pkt. 5 cts.**

**CENTAUREA****(Batchelor Button)**

Extremely showy and fine for cut flowers. Reds and yellows are always plentiful in the garden, but a good blue is sometimes difficult to obtain in a sufficient quantity to break the monotony of the brilliancy of other flowers. Try Centaureas, also known as Corn Flowers. Their brilliant blue flowers, borne in profusion among the light green foliage, will give a welcome contrast. 1 to 2 feet high. Easy to grow. Just broadcast the seed. The plants will take care of themselves.

For an unusual combination, sow Scarlet Poppies in the same bed, immediately after you have sown Centaureas. The brilliant contrast, red and blue, will attract unlimited attention.

**Centaurea, mixed .....Pkt. 5 cts.**

## COSMOS

Any good garden soil will grow Cosmos to perfection. An autumn flower which reaches its height of beauty just as other flowers begin to fade. Their wide open faces of various colors and dainty shades, will be most attractive on a frosty morning when you are searching for just one more bouquet from the garden.

Cosmos, best mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## DIANTHUS

(Pinks)

In our mixed packet will be found seeds of the most beautiful and best loved of all garden flowers, and certainly, unsurpassed for colors and fragrance.

Dianthus is the garden Carnation, spicy in odor and as brilliant in color as the greenhouse variety, but not as large. Plants grow about 1 foot high, in colors ranging from pure white to dark scarlet. As cut flowers they are exceptionally good. Plants will come up the second year if slightly protected during winter. Wouldn't it be quite an experience to see how close in size you can come with your garden plants, to the florists hybrid varieties which are so popular? The experiment will prove profitable and pleasant.

Dianthus, best mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## ESCHSCHOLTZIA

(California Poppy)

The California poppy which everyone knows who has visited California. Sow as soon as ground can be worked. Their vivid large cup-like flowers of red, bright yellow, golden orange or pure white, borne erect on long graceful stems with a background of bluish foliage, makes a display that is unique. Plants grow about 1 foot high. If you have shrubbery or evergreen planting, scatter a few seeds on the sunny side. The brilliant flowers, against the green foliage, will make an exquisite contrast.

Eschscholtzia, mixed .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## FOUR O'CLOCKS

(Marvel of Peru)

A curious, but well known plant, deriving its name from the fact that the flowers open in the afternoon, about four o'clock, at which time, the plants, growing about 2 ft. high, become a mass of vivid colors. It truly lives up to its name, the "Marvel of Peru."

Four O'Clocks, Marvel of Peru.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## GAILLARDIA

(Blanket Flower)

Imagine these contrasts in flower colorings, scarlet with gold edge, blood-red with yellow edge, yellow with orange disc, golden with scarlet border, pure yellow, brilliant crimson and many others as bold. Then you'll have just a slight idea of the results produced from a small bed of mixed Gaillardias.

Often the flowers are 2 to 3 inches across, the plants blooming continually until frost. A bed of Gaillardia will supply cut flowers that last for days.

Grow about 2 feet high and are very effective when planted in masses or bordered with a lighter colored flower such as Candytuft.

Gaillardia, Blanket Flower.....Pkt. 5 cts.

**GYPSOPHYLLA**

(Baby's Breath)

Graceful plants of fairy-like growth, covered with small and dainty white flowers, which may be used freely in combination with other cut flowers.

Growing about 2 feet high, Gypsophylla is used in borders where a mist-like effect is wanted, or for underplanting among shrubbery.

The daintiness of the plant is appealing and you will find many uses for it in the garden, as well as for flowers in the home.

Gypsophylla, Baby's Breath.....Pkt. 5 cts.

**HELICHRYSUM**

(Straw Flowers)

If you wish to perpetuate the pleasures your garden yields, plant Helichrysum or Straw Flowers. Cut them when they have attained their maximum beauty and hang them in the shade, face down, to dry. Their brilliant colors will remain unchanged and prove highly decorative, during the winter months.

Helichrysum, Straw Flower.....Pkt. 5 cts.

**KUDZU VINE**

(Fastest Climber Known)

A climbing plant which grows rapidly and is at the same time an adornment to your garden. One of the most vigorous climbers. Grows 40 to 60 feet in a season. A perennial that dies to the ground in the North during winter, but comes up again the next season.

Kudzu Vine .....Pkt. 5 cts.

**LARKSPUR**

Of long continuous bloom, keeping up a bright display until frost. Long spikes of flowers in shades of blue, white, rose, carmine and mixed shades. Grows 2 to 3 feet high, erect in habit. They make handsome beds or lines of color when interspersed in the old fashion garden or shrubbery border. As cut flowers are unsurpassed as decorative possibilities.

In combination with other low growing plants, such as dwarf Nasturtiums or Candytuft, they make an exhibition bed. You'll not be disappointed if you spade up a little extra ground for a bed of this kind.

Our packet of mixed colors contains all the above shades. For the fastidious gardener, we have a clear blue.

Larkspur, finest mixed .....Pkt. 5 cts.

Larkspur, clear blue .....Pkt. 5 cts.

**LOBELIA**

(Cardinal Flower)

What beauty can come in a packet of seeds, and how much satisfaction one can obtain from a little money and effort! The charming Lobelia will repay you many times over in its beauty. It forms compact little bushes about 6 inches high, fairly sheeted with bloom through the season. Desirable for edgings of beds, walks or garden decorations, or can be planted in pots or baskets with equal success, for house or porch decoration. In red, blue, white or violet the flowers will appear until frost.

For striking combinations try Lobelia with tall growing plants or Calendula.

Lobelia, best colors mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## MARIGOLD

The African and French Marigolds are garden favorites. The African variety is the tallest, with globular shaped large flowers of orange and yellow. Height about 2½ feet.

The French is a dwarf variety used extensively as a border plant, has smaller, yet just as brilliantly colored flowers as the African. Grows about 1 foot high.

Plant both in sunny locations and they will be at their best when other flowers are beginning to decline.

As cut flowers, they are ornamental, particularly when mixed with dark blue Larkspurs.

This is a good planting combination; African Marigold in the center of the bed, Larkspurs on each side of this center, then the whole bordered with Alyssum or Lobelia. An unusual flower arrangement, but one that will be striking.

Marigold, African, tall double mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.

Marigold, French, dwarf mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## MIGNONETTE

(Reseda)

Here's a flower that's at home everywhere, garden, greenhouse, or parlor, always welcome and ever admired. A spot in your garden that has partial shade is the best location. Plants grow about 1½ ft. tall, and will be heavily covered with spikes of flowers, often measuring 12 to 15 inches in length.

As a cut flower, due to its exceptionally pleasant odor, Mignonette has no rival.

The season of blooms is short, so make more than one planting.

Mignonette, mixed .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## MORNING GLORY

Japanese Morning Glories direct from Japan. We have imported this special strain of Morning Glory. They are from the same stock which is used so effectively in the Imperial Gardens of Japan. Of immense size, brilliantly colored with many new and striking combinations.

The plant flourishes wherever there is opportunity to climb.

Morning Glory, Imperial mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## NASTURTIUMS

Few annuals respond with as little effort, and give such striking results, as these many colored flowers, with their spicy odor and broad leaf foliage. Give them plenty of sun and they'll give you flowers in uncountable quantities. Plant anywhere. So long as the sun strikes you can't keep them from popping their many colored heads from beneath their attractive foliage.

The dwarf as a borders for walks, drives, window-boxes or around shrubbery offer the brilliancy that is most often required.

The tall or climbing variety are luxuriant climbers for verandas, trellises, etc., and will cover unsightly railings or trail and completely cover rough ground. The leaves are sometimes used in salad.

Our stock of seed has been specially grown for us, and our mixed packets contain the best in colors.

Nasturtium, dwarf mixed .....Oz. 20 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

Nasturtium, climbing mixed .....Oz. 15 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.



## PANSY

Every one knows and enjoys the bright and beautiful colorings of this early and late flower. We offer a mixture, carefully selected from the most desirable kinds, strains and colors, which cannot fail to delight.

Pansy, best colors mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## PETUNIA

A wonderful bed of flowers, massed with bloom, which has attracted your attention on some neighbor's grounds, has no doubt been Petunia. Growing about 1 foot high, of spreading habit, they are indeed effective for enhancing the appearance of your home. Their large funnel shaped flowers of exquisite odor, in practically every color imaginable, will give untold pleasure and attract much attention to your grounds, until cut down by frost. Of easy culture, growing anywhere, but preferring sun. Petunias will add their touch of completeness and gracefulness to your garden, that is so desirable.

Fairly sheeted with bloom, they are desirable for individual beds or as edgings among shrubbery or hedges.

Petunia, large flowering colors mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

Petunia, Rosy Morn, a pure pink.....Pkt. 5 cts.

Petunia, Alba, white .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## POPPIES

As soon as the frost leaves the ground, plant poppies. Nature with her daring has given us these wonderful waxy like flowers of delicate, but bold coloring, shaming silk in their softness, yet dulling the rainbow with their vividness.

Not to plant annual poppies is almost equal to not having a garden. Imagine a bed three feet or more wide, ten or more feet long, with nothing but poppies, growing about four feet high. What a riot of color! One simply can't stop admiring their salmon, rose, white, and crimson blossoms and at the same time, wondering how such a profusion of bloom can be produced on such delicate plants.

Annual Poppies are adaptable, they'll grow almost any place.

Poppies, best mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## PORTULACA

Best known as the Sun Plant. Growing about 3 inches high, with flowers of crimson, yellow, rose and white, on spreading plants. Valuable as ground covers and most certainly an ideal bedding plant to have among Roses or with Gladioli, where they will relieve the barren appearance of the ground. Make it a point always to have three or four packets handy. No matter how carefully the garden is planned, bare spots are plentiful that need just a bit of color. Portulaca solves this problem.

Portulaca, finest mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## RICINUS

(Castor Oil Bean)

To impart a tropical appearance to some part of the garden or bed centre, use Ricinus. Grows rapidly and luxuriantly, reaching a height of 6 feet or more with broad glossy green leaves. As single specimens, their stateliness make them attractive.

An unusual but effective circular bed can be made with Ricinus planted in the centre, surrounded by Salvia, with their red flowers, and the whole bordered with mixed Petunias.

Ricinus .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## SALPIGLOSSIS

### (Painted Tongue)

Only recently have we fully appreciated the beauty of this wonderful trumpet shaped flower. As a garden flower, as well as a cut flower, it is much admired.

Grows 24 to 30 inches high. Flowers pointed skyward, showing their intricate and delicate markings of gold and silver veins, running deeply into their long throats. Their resemblance to an Orchid, profusion of bloom and hardiness makes them instant favorites. If not familiar with this very satisfactory flower, be sure to try it this season. It is sure to become a favorite.

Salpiglossis, finest mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## SALVIA

### (Scarlet Sage)

These brilliant red blooms which are about the last flowers to be with us in autumn, are adaptable to any part of the garden, particularly in beds in front of the house or around the porch. From the rich, but restful green foliage, beautifying the garden, the intensely red flowers burst in autumn, harmonizing with nature at this season. Grows about 2½ feet high.

Salvia .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## SCABIOSA

### (Mourning Bride)

Generally known as the Pin Cushion Flower. An unusually good cut flower, giving shades of lavender, pink, red, white and purple black. The name, Pin Cushion, is somewhat of a misnomer for it suggests a rather heavy flower. Scabiosa is the reverse, being made up of delicate separate petals, having the stamens set noticeably beyond the body of the flower. Try planting Scabiosa as a border plant for Zinnias. They go exceptionally well together.

Scabiosa, mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## STOCKS

These popular flowers, which are the favorites of many, are so easily grown and so highly fragrant and beautiful that they deserve a place in every garden. They will give a great diversity of color. Vastly improved over the old fashioned variety. Growing about 2 ft. high, their large pyramids of bloom in purple, blue, rose, white and yellow will be a continual source of gratification throughout the season.

Stocks, mixed colors.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## STOKESIA

### (Stokes Aster)

Is one of the most beautiful and hardiest of Native American Flowers. It is strange that so few people plant it, for it is simple to raise and hardy in every respect. You have seen these blue flowers wild in the meadows and along the country side. We have for you the best cultivated strain, which will produce an attractive mass of blue flowers, three and often four inches large, equally pleasing in the garden or in the vase on your table.

Stokesia .....Pkt. 5 cts.

## SWEET PEAS

To secure the largest blooms, plant early, so as to secure the greatest root development. Our seeds will produce a mass of delicate colored flowers that are so universally admired.

Special care has been taken in the production of our seeds and no better can be had, irrespective of the price paid.

Rather than offer a long list, we have specialized in a few of the best sorts of the flowering Spencers, which are renowned for their beauty and productiveness.

	Per Oz.	Per Pkt.
Spencer, Brilliant Shades mixed.....	50 cts.	5 cts.
Spencer, Blue .....	55 cts.	5 cts.
Spencer, White .....	55 cts.	5 cts.
Spencer, Scarlet .....	55 cts.	5 cts.
Spencer, Mottled colors mixed.....	55 cts.	5 cts.

## VERBENAS

This flower lends itself to almost any treatment, beds, borders, or window-boxes. Low growing with great clusters of flowers, borne from June until frost. When results in flowers can be had so inexpensively and with so little labor, isn't it advisable to plant many different varieties and enjoy the satisfaction of having many prized specimens? Include a few packets of Verbenas in your order. Plant in full sunlight and water sparingly; after the plants become established, peg the vines down with tooth picks, doubled in the center to form the shape of hair pins. The vines root where pegged and the whole surface will be a mass of plants covered with brilliant flowers.

Verbenas, finest mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## ZINNIA

Of all the annual flowers, Zinnia is one of the most popular. Its opaque coloring is an agreeable transition from the brilliant colorings of the other autumn flowers. From our seed, you will have no difficulty, with a little care, in growing blooms of immense size.

The Giant Flowering Zinnia Mixture, contains a very wide range of colors and will be found most enjoyable. Do not fail to try these two splendid Zinnias. These strains were developed in California.

Zinnia, Giant Flowering mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

Zinnia, Dahlia Flowered mixed.....Pkt. 5 cts.

## OTHER VARIETIES

If you do not find listed, varieties of flowers or vegetables required, send us the names of what are wanted and we will endeavor to supply you promptly.





## VEGETABLES

A small garden will keep an ordinary sized family supplied with health giving, fresh food all season. Vegetables from the store do not compare with crisp vegetables, fresh from the garden.

A garden greatly reduces living expenses. The vitamins which vegetables supply are absolutely required to insure health. Have a garden, eat more fresh vegetables, enjoy better health and save money.

Not to plant, simply because you can't have the biggest garden is to miss the fun of producing, on little ground, as much if not more than your neighbor does in a big garden.

Plant our seeds, see what excellent crops you will get. Enjoy the vegetables, big, juicy and tender, and there will be plenty of them. No one can produce better than you can grow, with little trouble.

It's fun, keen, clean, healthy fun, growing all your own vegetables.

### GARDEN BEANS

(Bush or Dwarf)

There are no more nutritious vegetables than Beans, and none more easily and quickly grown. Their well filled pods will serve many fine meals of delicious, succulent vegetables. Though there are various ways of cooking beans, few try pickling. In this form they will add a piquant treat to winter meals. Sow every two weeks to secure an uninterrupted supply.

**REFUGEE**, or 1000 to 1. Beans on your table in about 6 weeks. A bush variety, prolific in its yield of well filled, green pods, so crisp that the fruit cuts with a snap. Put up a few jars for the winter months.

Pound 40 cts.      ½ pound 25 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

**BOUNTIFUL**. A stringless bush bean, very handsome with dark green, well filled, meaty pods. Easy to prepare. When snapped apart it leaves no strings along the back. A good canner.

Pound 40 cts.      ½ pound 25 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

**IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX**. A yellow wax bush bean, with a clear golden skin, free from spots. Served creamed or with simmering butter, it makes a dish fit for the gods. Crisp and tender, with fat, well filled pods. A quick grower and heavy producer.

Pound 40 cts.      ½ pound 25 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

### POLE BEANS

(Green Podded)

**KENTUCKY WONDER** or Old Homestead. A pole bean of exceptionally fine flavor, with long heavy, well shaped pods growing in clusters. One pole will keep a family supplied for many weeks. Free from strings. Make successive sowings.

Pound 40 cts.      ½ pound 25 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

## LIMA BEANS

This large, easily grown, mealy bean is a general favorite on our American tables. Served fresh, it is a pleasant change from potatoes, and creamed a nutritious addition to any meal. Easy to dry, in which form it will give many winter meals.

We offer this bean in two forms, Bush or dwarf, growing 18 to 20 inches high, and Pole Limas requiring supports.

### IMPROVED BUSH LIMA, The dwarf.

Pound 50 cts.      ½ pound 30 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

### IMPROVED POLE LIMA.

Pound 40 cts.      ½ pound 25 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

## BEETS

Beets, like beans, possess high food value and are easily grown. Successive plantings provide for summer and winter.

**DETROIT DARK RED.** After much experimenting, we offer this variety as the best. In size, shape, flavor and productiveness, no other beet compares. Blood red in color, very sweet, hard and solid, without pith. If you are accustomed to buying beets, home grown will be a revelation. Try pickling a few. An added attraction served with salads.

Ounce 20 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

**EDMONDS LATE** is the variety to plant for storing in the cellar for winter use. Its dark red skin preserves the beautiful dark color of its flesh, also the excellent flavor until used.

Ounce 20 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

## BRUSSELS SPROUTS

A fall and winter vegetable of easy culture. Small solid heads resembling little cabbages are produced on the stems of the plants. Let the plants stand in the garden, where frost improves the flavor. Crop may be gathered as wanted, leaving those unused on the plants even during the winter months.

**EXHIBITION.** Produces a large crop of evenly formed solid heads of medium size. There is place in every garden for Sprouts, even if necessary to plant between rows of earlier vegetables which mature and are out of the way before the Sprouts need the ground. No trouble to have plenty of these delicious heads, that differ so pleasantly in taste from all other vegetables. If you have tasted the store variety, try growing your own.

Ounce 35 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

## CABBAGE

Deciding whether to plant Cabbage is deciding whether you would prefer the dry, shipped long distance heads from the store, or crisp, juicy heads, fresh from the garden.

Cabbages grow into big, solid, hard heads, without difficulty. They'll make fine salads, crispy cole slaws. The flavor when boiled, will be that unimitable taste than can only be had by growing your own.

**COPENHAGEN MARKET.** The earliest; heads solid and round. An extra early cabbage of fine flavor.

Ounce 60 cts.      Pkt. 5 cts.

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We serve you promptly, courteously, and to your entire satisfaction.

## CABBAGE (Continued)

**LATE FLAT DUTCH.** The best late variety; heads grow flat and remarkably large. A sure heading sort and a fine keeper. Store them in a cool cellar or bury in your garden, head down, covered first with leaves or straw, then with about two feet of earth.

Ounce 50 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**RED DRUMHEAD.** A red cabbage and the best of the reds, having a distinct flavor, entirely different from the green, but most enjoyable.

Ounce 60 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## CARROTS

The health food, their rich flavor cannot be surpassed. The golden color seems to be absorbed by the blood and carried to the cheeks of the youngsters. Doctors recommend this important vegetable because of its iron.

Plant Radish seed in the same row with Carrots. The vigorous young Radish plants will push through the soil, opening it for the more delicate Carrot plants. The Radishes will be up and harvested before the room will be required by the Carrots.

**EARLIEST FORCING.** French. That delicate round Carrot you know so well. It is the finest of the early varieties.

Ounce 20 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**DANVERS HALF LONG.** The medium sized carrot used for summer and fall consumption and winter storing. In a cool cellar it will remain fresh and tasty until spring.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## CAULIFLOWER

Give Cauliflower a little attention and you can have those fine big, snowy white heads that cost so much in the market.

**EARLY SNOWBALL.** Pure snowy white and noted for the certainty with which plants produce extra fine, large heads. Enjoy the experience of having Cauliflower in your own garden, where the compact plants, with large white heads, will be a source of much satisfaction and pleasure, as well as profit.

Ounce \$3.00                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## CELERY

This plant has innumerable uses and is indispensable for garnishing and flavoring. Your table needs it. A package of seed will give more Celery than you can buy for \$5.00.

**GOLDEN SELF BLANCHING.** A rich, golden variety, practically free from coarse strings so common to ordinary celery. Grows in compact bunches with big, crisp, white hearts and tender stalks. If you'll trench Celery late in the fall and cover with leaves and about 1 foot of earth, it will keep until March. You can uncover it according to your table requirements.

Ounce \$1.10                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## CORN

To be at its best, corn should be picked and served within an hour or two, as every minute after that, it loses in sweetness. That is why Corn from the green grocer never compares with home grown.

Make several plantings for a continuous supply. In the latitude of New York City, the last planting may be made as late as the first of July. In ordinary seasons it will mature and be used before injury by frost.

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**CORN (Continued)**

**GOLDEN BANTAM.** The earliest, some say the sweetest, bears golden, yellow ears of fine flavor.

Pound 40 cts.    ½ pound 25 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**STOWELL'S EVERGREEN.** The latest even rowed variety, a fine sweet Corn which holds its tenderness for considerable time.

Pound 40 cts.    ½ pound 25 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**COUNTRY GENTLEMEN.** A late irregular rowed corn, bearing 110 days after planting. Grains are deep, borne on medium sized cobs. Milky, tender and deliciously sweet.

Pound 40 cts.    ½ pound 25 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**CUCUMBER**

**COOL AND CRISP.** Perfect in shape and dark green in color. Extra early, with firm, hard fruit, bearing continuously and profusely. For pickles, plant in June or July. If you imagine cucumbers are indigestible try growing your own, and serve fresh from the garden. Only in this way can you know the real cucumber flavor. What is a more cooling or refreshing dish in hot weather, than sliced cucumbers?

Ounce 15 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**EGGPLANT**

A hot weather plant which should be started in the hot bed or warm room of the house. Set the plants out in May or June. Around New York City some succeed by planting the seeds in the garden when the ground is warm.

**EARLY BLACK BEAUTY.** A deep purple fruit, often weighing ten to twelve pounds. Each plant producing four or five absolutely spineless fruits of great beauty and of finest quality.

Ounce 50 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**KOHL-RABI**

A turnip rooted member of the cabbage family, yet of entirely different flavor. The flesh is white and tender. If you have never grown this vegetable, try a short row of this old world favorite.

**EARLY WHITE VIENNA.** Prepare it with cream sauce, using the tender leaf shoots for additional flavor; makes a dish of unsurpassed tastiness, universally liked.

Ounce 30 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**LETTUCE**

To have a garden without lettuce, one of the best of all salad plants and the first to produce green food for your table, is to miss the ideal. What a treat cool, crisp and fresh green lettuce leaves are, from beautiful large heads with solid hearts. A steady supply of lettuce may be had from our three varieties. Sow at frequent intervals to meet your particular needs, using a head variety for spring and fall and the Simpson for hot weather sowing.

**MAYKING.** The earliest head variety. Hearts and leaves crisp and sweet, with practically no waste leaves. Sow for early and late lettuce.

Ounce 30 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**BIG BOSTON.** Color is light green with a slight brownish tint on the outer leaves. Compact heads. For early and late planting.

Ounce 20 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.

**EARLY CURLED SIMPSON.** A leaf variety for hot weather sowing. Forms a close mass of leaves.

Ounce 20 cts.    Pkt. 5 cts.



## MUSKMELON

A ripe, juicy melon from your own garden! Can one want for more, particularly after suffering the disappointment of having served melons, that were everything desirable as to looks, but flat and insipid in taste?

There is no trick in melon growing, nothing about your soil that should deprive you of the rare privilege of picking big melons from your own vines.

Both varieties should be in every garden.

**EMERALD GEM.** An early green sort with thick, sweet flesh that fairly melts in your mouth. What a breakfast, lunch or supper with one of these golden hearted luscious melons, taken fresh from the vine! This variety will give you plenty of melons.

Ounce 20 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**HONEY DEW.** Of great size, unlike ordinary melons. Light green flesh and very solid, but of exquisite sweetness.

Ounce 40 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## WATERMELON

**TOM WATSON.** Folks think watermelons can be grown only by experts or wizards. Nothing of the sort! The big green, red flesh melon you buy can be had from your garden, only of much better quality. The fine flaky flesh, with its flood of juice will convince you that you are an expert. Sturdy growing vines with plenty of large oblong melons.

Ounce 20 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## ONION

To have mellow and mild onions, they must be grown from seed. A packet of each of the three varieties listed, will supply an average family of five for a year. A packet sows a row about 25 feet long, producing Onions, which can readily be stored for winter use.

**MAMMOTH WHITE.** Flesh is crisp, fine grained and snowy white with a thin delicate skin. If you use sliced, raw onions, this will be most satisfactory.

Ounce 50 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**PRIZETAKER.** A yellow onion of much renown. A large onion, often measuring 12 to 16 inches in circumference, uniform in shape and mild and delicate in flavor.

Ounce 75 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE.** Almost a perfect red globe, encased in deep red skin. Stronger in flavor than Mammoth White or Prizetaker. Very productive and a good keeper. If you relish boiled, creamed onions for supper on a cold winter evening, this variety, stored in the cellar will give many a delicious meal.

Ounce 90 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## PARSNIPS

Rich in sugar and of exceptional food value. Frost makes them sweeter.

The fern-like leaves of the Parsnip make the plants attractive at all times. In planning the garden, figure on using parsnips to border other vegetable beds. They furnish just a bit of decoration as well as many fine meals.

**HOLLOW CROWN.** Most productive variety. Roots are creamy white, growing ten to twelve inches long, smooth, tender, sweet and of excellent flavor.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## PARSLEY

A most useful plant used for garnishing, seasoning and as soup greens. A small plot a foot square, if covered in winter with leaves, will produce plenty of greens for the table. The more you cut the faster it grows.

**MOSS CURLED.** Rich dark green, closely curled, erect leaves.

Ounce 15 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

## PEAS

If you want peas all summer, up to late August, here is the way to have them with little trouble. Order some of each of the following varieties, planting all at the same time. Differing in date of maturity, they will give peas a plenty, sweet and tender, from your own garden, all summer long. The following varieties are called the "Aristocrats" among Peas. They are sure to perform as you want them to.

**EXTRA EARLY.** The earliest of the early Peas. Well shaped pods bearing prolifically. Tall growing.

Pound 40 cts.

½ pound 25 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

**GRADUS.** A popular wrinkled variety, the sweetest of the Peas. Tall growing.

Pound 40 cts.

½ pound 25 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

**EXCELSIOR.** As the name implies, it is rated as the best. Preferred for canning. Tall growing.

Pound 40 cts.

½ pound 25 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

**AMERICAN WONDER.** A dwarf pea, which does not need supporting.

Pound 40 cts.

½ pound 25 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

**TELEPHONE.** This is a late variety. Tall growing. The pods are very large and filled with large round peas.

Pound 40 cts.

½ pound 25 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

## PEPPER

Peppers are as easy to grow as corn, requiring no special treatment, and always producing. Have them for flavoring or as a tasty addition to salads. Grow a few this year.

**CHINESE GIANT.** An all around fine Pepper. Mild and sweet, whether picked green or left to ripen into a deep scarlet red.

Ounce 70 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

## PUMPKIN

If you have corn, you'll surely plant a few Pumpkins for pies and for the children's "Jack-o-Lanterns." No trouble to grow, as they require no attention after planting.

**SUGAR.** The sweetest of all the Pumpkins. Made famous by its fine flavor in pies.

Ounce 15 cts.

Pkt. 5 cts.

## RADISH

Snappy, tasty Radishes, free from pith, can be had from the home garden. Plant early and thin out about 2 inches apart, serving when they reach ½ inch in size. Make successive plantings. Radishes may be grown between rows of other vegetables, as they mature in about 20 days. If planted in this manner it will not be necessary to reserve a space for them in the garden.

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## RADISH (Continued)

**SCARLET GLOBE.** For early sowing. All red, thin skinned, sweet as a nut.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**FRENCH BREAKFAST.** Another early sort with white tips. A snappy, oval shaped radish, which remains fit for use for a considerable time.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**ICICLE.** A white, long Radish, attaining a length of 4 to 5 inches. Skin is thin, flesh crisp and mild. On account of its sparkling white skin and fine flavor it makes an exceptional table Radish. This is the best Radish for hot weather use.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## SALSIFY

Known as the vegetable oyster. Salsify may be used in the fall, stored in the cellar or left without harm in the ground until spring, when it can be used as a spring vegetable. If not acquainted with this excellent vegetable, notice the recipes in your cook book and see the many ways it can be served.

**MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLAND.** Roots short, thick and uniform in size. Tender and delicious.

Ounce 30 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## SPINACH

A cool weather vegetable that can be grown both in early spring or late fall. One of the most healthful vegetables known. No better and more healthful lunch or supper was ever prepared than boiled Spinach, topped with a poached egg. It is impossible to have too much. The tender leaves, rich in iron, never become tiresome to the appetite. Growing it yourself you'll find it much easier to clean and prepare.

**LONG SEASON.** A heavy producer of long, green, succulent leaves which are easy to prepare and of better flavor than any spinach you have ever served.

Ounce 10 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## SQUASH

What a pleasing addition to the summer bill of fare is a fine summer Squash. Cooking dry and mealy, they are a pleasant change. If desired, the winter variety can be stored in the cellar.

**SUMMER CROOKNECK.** For summer consumption, a fine tasty Squash, but must be eaten as they ripen.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**BOSTON MARROW.** This variety will keep in the cellar for winter meals. Makes delicious pies, as well as numerous other healthful dishes for winter menus.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.



## TOMATOES

What wonders small seeds perform! Consider Tomato seed. Seed from a five cent packet, started in the house, transplanted to the garden, produce fruit, rich, ripe and red, in such quantities that no matter how many there may be in the family, or how much you preserve, it is almost impossible to eat all of them.

Of course you will have tomatoes and, to be sure of having the best, grow your own from seed. Here are the best.

**EARLIANA.** A bright red Tomato. The first to come into bearing. Clip the vines back to three branches and stake up. The big solid fruits will amply reward for this slight attention.

Ounce 35 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**PONDEROSA.** An extra large tomato with thin skin. Fine for canning. Unsurpassed for green tomato pickles, those succulent, spicy pickles, the recipe for which will be found in the cook book. A heavy bearer, keep only two branches on the vines, because crop is so heavy that the plant will not support more.

Ounce 65 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**ACME.** Medium size, very solid round fruit, pinkish in color, ripening evenly.

Ounce 45 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## TURNIP

Sow Turnips during the middle of July or first of August on land from which earlier vegetables have been removed. This will give a supply for winter storing. Growing your own is far better, certainly cheaper and more convenient than trotting to the store.

**WHITE FLAT DUTCH.** Quick growing and mild in flavor. White flesh, cooking mealy and free from strings or lumps.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**GOLDEN BALL.** Yellow flesh, firm and sweet. Will keep until spring.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

**PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE.** A good late variety for winter use, white flesh.

Ounce 15 cts.                      Pkt. 5 cts.

## OTHER VARIETIES

If you do not find listed, varieties of flowers or vegetables required, send us the names of what are wanted and we will endeavor to supply you promptly.

## GLADIOLUS

We have included Gladiolus in this little Catalogue, because quoting the words of one of America's greatest Horticulturalists, "They are inexpensive, easy to grow, produce a great variety of pleasing colors, are free of insect and parasite pest, bloom all season and the bulbs can be used the following year."

Gladiolus will grow anywhere and are equally attractive for mass beds, borders, or cut flowers.

Plant the first lot early in the spring, 4 inches apart, covering at least 5 inches. By planting deeply you will give the stalks better support against the wind. Repeat the planting every two weeks until early July. In this way you will have beautiful flowers from July right up to the time the frost cuts them down.

When your first bed of Gladiolus begins to bloom, you will wish you had planted more, for they will equal anything you have seen in the most expensive Florist's Window.

We supply the best selected strains, in a well balanced, pleasing mixture. All good sized bulbs:

50 Bulbs..... \$1.75

100 Bulbs..... 3.00

We pay the carrying charges to any point East of the Mississippi. West of the Mississippi 25 cents additional.

## VEGETABLE COLLECTION

Price, \$3.00

This collection will give plenty of all vegetables and almost entirely obviate the necessity of purchasing at the store. Not much space is required. Planting early sorts between rows of late varieties, will produce enough for immediate needs as well as some for storing or preserving for most of the winter months.

- ½ lb. Bountiful Beans
- ½ lb. Golden Wax Beans
- ½ lb. Bush Lima Beans
- 1 pkt. Detroit Beet
- 1 pkt. Edwards Beet
- 1 pkt. Exhibition Sprouts
- 1 pkt. Flat Dutch Cabbage
- 1 pkt. Earliest Carrot
- 1 pkt. Danvers Carrot
- 1 pkt. Golden Celery
- 3 pkts. Golden Bantam Corn
- 3 pkts. Country Gentleman Corn
- 1 pkt. Cool and Crisp Cucumber
- 1 pkt. May King Lettuce
- 1 pkt. Curled Simpson
- 1 pkt. Emerald Gem Muskmelon
- 1 pkt. White Onion
- 1 pkt. Red Onion
- 1 pkt. Hollow Crown Parsnips
- 1 pkt. Parsley
- 1 pkt. Chinese Giant Pepper
- 3 pkts. Each of All Peas (15 pkts. in all)
- 1 pkt. Icicle Radish
- 2 pkts. Scarlet Globe Radish
- 1 pkt. Long Season Spinach
- 1 pkt. Boston Marrow Squash
- 1 pkt. Earliana Tomato
- 1 pkt. Ponderosa Tomato
- 1 pkt. Golden Ball Turnips



## FRATERNITY

We are sure your neighbor would like to see our catalogue. It would be a real service of helpfulness to pass this little book along, after you have finished with it. There is a fraternity among garden lovers that makes us all appreciate suggestions and help—even though it may only be the passing along of a seed catalogue to friends.

